

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to provide a cross-reference to the previously filed International Application.

The claims have been amended to correct an improper multiple dependency and to place the application into better form for examination. Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

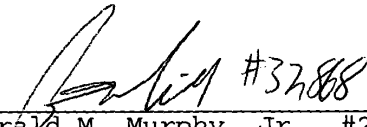
Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the application by this Amendment.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Attachment: VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

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The claims have been amended as follows:

11. (Amended) A heat-sensitive tacky adhesive comprising the thermoplastic resin composition as claimed in [any one of claims 8 to 10]claim 8 or 9.

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